WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 2314

IN THE MATTER OF:

Served February 23, 1982

Application of WEBB TOURS, INC., for Authority to Increase Rates

Case No. AP-81-29

By Order No. 2299, served December 24, 1981, the Commission suspended WMATC Tariff No. 2 of Webb Tours, Inc., which otherwise would have become effective on December 26, 1981. The suspension was ordered to permit determination of the appropriateness of certain operating expenses.

Upon review of supplemental material filed by applicant the staff of the Commission suggested, and counsel for applicant has agreed to reductions in certain operating expenses and modification of several items in the tariff rules and regulations. The data supporting the tariff filing, as adjusted, now shows that applicant would suffer a loss under existing rates and that the new rates should produce a just and reasonable return in accordance with the provisions of Title II, Article XII, Section 6 of the Compact. Accordingly, the suspension shall be terminated and the proposed rates, as set forth below, will be allowed to take effect on three-days' notice from the acceptance by the Commission of WMATC Tariff No. 2, containing those rates approved herein, the modifications agreed to by applicant and the staff, and a further modification limiting application of the cancellation charge set forth in the tariff to cancellations made within ten (10) days of the charter date. In our view, requiring 30 days' notice to avoid a cancellation charge is excessive.

SPECIAL OPERATIONS

Tour	Existing Adult Fare	Approved Adult Fare	Existing Child Fare*	Approved Child Fare*
Building Tour	\$ 9.00	\$14.00	\$ 4.50	\$ 7.00
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Arlington	9.00	14.00	4.50	7.00
Night City	9.00	14.00	4.50	7.00
Dinner Tour	15.00	14.00	10.50	7.00
		plus actual		plus actual
	Asset Tolland	cost of meal	1	cost of meal
Regular Combination	n 15.00	25.00	7.50	12.50
Dinner Combination	22.50	25.00	13.50	12.50
		plus actual		plus actual
		cost of meal	1	cost of meal
Mt. VernonOlde Town new		17.00	new	8.50

^{*} Child Fare pertains to children under 12

CHARTER OPERATIONS

The current fare is the greater of \$.85 per mile or \$25 per hour with a minimum time of two hours service plus one hour garage time.

The approved fare is \$44.50 per hour with a minimum time of three hours' service plus one hour garage time.

Applicant will be directed to post the fares authorized by this order in its vehicles as notice to the public of this action.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

- 1. That Webb Tours, Inc., is hereby directed to file a revised WMATC Tariff No. 2 containing only the approved rates specified above to become effective at 12:01 a.m. on the third day following acceptance of said revised tariff by the Executive Director.
- 2. That the suspension of WMATC Tariff No. 2 of Webb Tours, Inc., is terminated simultaneously with the effective time of the revised tariff.
- 3. That Webb Tours, Inc., is directed to post continuously and conspicuously for a period of one week in each of its vehicles notice of this action and the fares authorized thereby no later than one day from the date of service of this Order.

BY DIRECTION OF THE COMMISSION, COMMISSIONERS CLEMENT, SCHIFTER AND SHANNON:

WILLIAM H. McGILVERY

Executive Director